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| Human Immunodeficiency Virus | § | DOCKET: |
| Type 1 | § | D6287 |

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR 1.312(a)

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the following amendments be entered into the specification and remarks considered for the above-referenced patent application.

AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figures 1A and 1B. Phylogenetic relationships of the 11 viral genomes described in this patent application (highlighted) to representatives of all major HIV-1 (group M) subtypes in *gag* (Figure 1A) and *env* (Figure 1B) regions. Trees were constructed from full-

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